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[on the report of the Third Committee (A/46/653)]

46/99. International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 44/60 of 8 December 1989, and taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/24 of 30 May 1991,

Taking note of the report of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women on its activities, 1/

Recognizing the catalytic and advocatory role of the Institute in facilitating the inclusion of women as partners in development through research, training and information activities on issues affecting women and development,

Reaffirming the importance of the work of the Institute in the areas of research, training and information related to women and development as a prerequisite for bringing about changes in development that benefit women and society,

Increasingly aware that the population of the world is rapidly ageing and that women constitute a majority of the older population,

1. Expresses its satisfaction with the report of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women on its activities;

1/ A/46/325, annex.

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2. Notes with appreciation that the Institute maintains its dual approach as both an agent for sensitization on the role of women in the mainstream of development and as a centre for specialized research, training and information, particularly in new areas of interest affecting women and development;

3. Commends the Institute for its continued efforts in interlinking closely its research and training activities, especially in the field of enhanced statistics on women, with special focus on the informal sector, the environment and communication;

4. Notes with appreciation the effort of the Institute to collaborate with the Statistical Office of the Secretariat to improve concepts and methods for statistics and indicators on the situation of elderly women, 2/ and urges the Institute to pursue this pioneering work;

5. Requests the Institute to strengthen its activities related to the question of the undervaluation of women, both urban and rural, in economic activities, the monitoring, evaluation and impact analysis of projects and programmes concerning women and development and the feedback of results into the operational system;

6. Also requests the Institute to continue to strengthen its collaboration with institutions and organizations of the United Nations system, particularly those involved with women and development issues, and with research and training centres and institutes at the international, regional and national levels;

7. Expresses its appreciation to those Governments and organizations that have contributed to or supported the activities of the Institute;

8. Renews its appeal to States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to contribute to the United Nations Trust Fund for the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, in order to enable the Institute to carry out its mandate to meet new challenges and anticipate, where possible, emerging areas of concern related to women and development;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session a report on the activities of the Institute under the item entitled "Advancement of women".

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16 December 1991

2/ Ibid., paras. 5-7.